

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF
THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALABASAS, CALIFORNIA
HELD WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 2024**

Mayor Weintraub called the Closed Session to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Conference Room, 100 Civic Center Way, Calabasas, CA.

Present: Mayor Weintraub, Mayor pro Tem Kraut, Councilmembers Albrecht, Bozajian and Shapiro

Absent: None

1. Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) & (e)(1)

A point has been reached where, in the opinion of the City Council, on the advice of its legal counsel, based on the below-described existing facts and circumstances, there is a significant exposure to litigation against the City. Facts and circumstances that might result in litigation but which the City believes are not yet known to potential plaintiff or plaintiffs. (Gov. Code § 54956.9(e)(1))

Number of Potential Cases: [1]

2. Conference with Real Property Negotiator

Government Code Section 54956.8

Property Address: 27040 Malibu Hills Rd., Calabasas, CA 91301

Agency Negotiator: Kindon Meik, City Manager

Negotiating Party: City of Agoura Hills

Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment

Mayor Weintraub called the Open Session to order at 7:02 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 100 Civic Center Way, Calabasas, CA.

Present: Mayor Weintraub, Mayor pro Tem Kraut, Councilmembers Albrecht, Bozajian and Shapiro

Absent: None

Staff: Ahlers, Campbell, Castle, Cohen, Green, Klein, McConville, Meik, Melton, Mendoza, Molina, Summers and Trujillo

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Director of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness Micheal Dyer.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilmember Shapiro moved, seconded by Mayor pro Tem Kraut to approve the agenda. MOTION CARRIED 5/0 as follows:

AYES: Mayor Weintraub, Mayor pro Tem Kraut, Councilmembers Albrecht, Bozajian and Shapiro

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Summers reported that the City Council met in Closed Session to address Item Nos. 1-2. He noted that Mayor pro Tem Kraut recused himself and left the meeting during the discussion of Item No. 1. The City Council provided direction to staff and there were no reportable actions.

PRESENTATIONS

- Proclamation honoring May as Jewish American Heritage Month and denouncing antisemitism

Mayor Weintraub read the Proclamation in recognition of Jewish American Heritage Month.

Councilmembers spoke out against antisemitism and emphasized that there is no place for hate in Calabasas.

Lisa Katz of the Combat Antisemitism Movement and Esther Ravid of the Israeli-American Civic Action accepted the Proclamation and thanked the City Council.

- Fire Department Update

Update was postponed to a future date.

- By Michael Stahl and Brian Cameron regarding Emergency Preparedness In Calabasas (EPIC) mobile app

Michael Stahl and Brian Cameron made a presentation to the City Council.

Councilmembers expressed their excitement over EPIC and thanked Mr. Stahl and Mr. Cameron for their presentation.

- By Jeff Kiernan Regional Public Affairs Manager, Los Angeles County Division for the League of California Cities regarding California Business Round Table Initiative

Jeff Kiernan made a presentation to the City Council.

Mayor Weintraub stated Item No. 6 would be moved up to follow the presentation made by Mr. Kiernan.

6. City Council consideration of Resolution No. 2024-1894, opposing Initiative No. 21-0042A1, The Taxpayer Protection and Government Accountability Act

Councilmember Bozajian moved, seconded by Councilmember Albrecht to approve Resolution No. 2024-1894 opposing Initiative No. 21-0042A1 with modifications. MOTION CARRIED 5/0 as follows:

AYES: Mayor Weintraub, Mayor pro Tem Kraut, Councilmembers Albrecht, Bozajian and Shapiro

ANNOUNCEMENTS/INTRODUCTIONS

Members of the Council made the following announcements:

Mayor pro Tem Kraut:

- Congratulated Analuz Mendoza for being appointed as Interim City Clerk.
- Reported his attendance to the re-opening celebration of Sweet Lady Jane.
- Extended an invitation the T&SC pool re-opening celebration on April 25.

Councilmember Bozajian:

- Expressed his sentiments regarding historic genocides and acknowledged April 24 as the commemoration of Armenian Genocide Day.

Councilmember Shapiro:

- Thanked Councilmember Bozajian for acknowledging April 24 as the Armenian Genocide Day.
- Extended an invitation to the Cal Cup Bowling Tournament hosted by the Calabasas Chamber of Commerce on April 26.
- Wished everyone a Happy Passover.
- Congratulated the CHS Marmonte Boys' Tennis League for their outstanding win, the Jerry Herman nominees at CHS and Lupin Hill Elementary for their ranking by the U.S. News.

Councilmember Albrecht:

- Shared that Netflix landed a new series called Calabasas.
- Extended an invitation to A Groovy Afternoon at De Anza Park on May 11.
- Extended an invitation to the Online Study Buddies via Zoom hosted by the Calabasas Library on May 21. More information available on the City's website.
- Wished everyone a Happy Passover.

Mayor Weintraub:

- Thanked Councilmember Bozajian for commemorating April 24 as Armenian Genocide Day.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC COMMENT

Mark Levinson spoke during public comment.

CONSENT ITEMS

1. Approval of April 10, 2024, meeting minutes
2. Adoption of Resolution No. 2024-1890, initiating proceedings for the levy and collection of assessments within Landscape Maintenance District No. 22 and Landscape Lighting Act District Nos. 22, 24, 27 and 32 for Fiscal Year 2024-2025; adoption of Resolution No. 2024-1891, approving a Preliminary Engineer's Report with respect to levy and collection of assessments in connection with Landscape Lighting Act District Nos. 22, 24, 27 and 32 for Fiscal Year 2024-2025; adoption of Resolution No. 2024-1892, declaring its intent to levy and collect assessments within Landscape Maintenance District No. 22 and Landscape Lighting Act District Nos. 22, 24, 27 and 32 and setting a time and place for public hearing
3. Authorization to approve Amendment No. 3 for additional \$50,000 funding and extension of term date to the existing Professional Services Agreement with Municipal Resource Group, LLC PSA amendment
4. Receive and File letter from Congresswoman Julia Brownley regarding Congressional efforts to address aviation noise impacts

Councilmembers Shapiro and Bozajian requested Item No. 4 be pulled from Consent.

4. Micheal McConville addressed the City Council regarding Consent Item No.

Matt Summers noted that Consent Item No. 2, Resolution No. 2024-1892, Section No. 6 should reflect a 3.475% inflation rate.

Councilmember Shapiro moved, seconded by Mayor pro Tem Kraut to approve Consent Item Nos. 1-4 with modifications. MOTION CARRIED 5/0 as follows:

AYES: Mayor Weintraub, Mayor pro Tem Kraut, Councilmembers Albrecht, Bozajian and Shapiro

NEW BUSINESS

5. Adoption of Resolution No. 2024-1893, stating intent to pursue merger of the Agoura Hills/Calabasas Community Center's contract with the California Public Employees' Retirement System into the City of Calabasas' contract with the California Public Employees' Retirement System

Ron Ahlers presented the report.

Matt Summers addressed the City Council regarding Item No. 5.

Mayor pro Tem Kraut moved, seconded by Councilmember Shapiro to approve the adoption of Resolution No. 2024-1893. MOTION CARRIED 5/0 as follows:

AYES: Mayor Weintraub, Mayor pro Tem Kraut, Councilmembers Albrecht, Bozajian and Shapiro

7. Authorize award of Professional Services Agreement to Park Associates, Inc. DBA Park Planet for the Juan Bautista De Anza, Creekside and Highlands Park play structure replacement in the amount of \$685,000

Erica Green presented the report.

Councilmember Albrecht moved, seconded by Mayor pro Tem Kraut to approve a Professional Services Agreement with Park Associates, Inc. dba Park Planet for the Juan Bautista De Anza, Creekside and Highlands Park play structure replacement in the amount of \$685,000. MOTION CARRIED 5/0 as follows:

AYES: Mayor Weintraub, Mayor pro Tem Kraut, Councilmembers Albrecht, Bozajian and Shapiro

**The meeting recessed at 8:26 p.m.
The meeting reconvened at 8:34 p.m.**

CONTINUED BUSINESS

8. Continued discussion of fire safety and resilience code standards

Michael Klein presented the report.

The City Council provided direction to staff.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

9. Check Register for the period of March 30-April 12, 2024

No action taken on this Item.

TASK FORCE REPORTS

Councilmember Bozajian reported that he attended the City Leaders Summit hosted by the League of California Cities April 22-24.

Councilmember Shapiro reported that he attended a Valley Economic Alliance Board meeting and would be attending the Valley of the Stars Awards Gala. He also reported that he attended a SCAG Scholarship Committee meeting. Lastly, he reported his upcoming attendance to the 2024 Regional Conference and General Assembly hosted by SCAG May 2-3.

Councilmember Albrecht reported that Councilmember Shapiro and he met as the Sustainability Task Force along with Public Works Director Curtis Castle. He also reported his upcoming attendance to a CPA meeting.

Mayor Weintraub reported that she participated in a Wildlife Crossing tour. She also reported that she attended a meeting with Supervisor Lindsey P. Horvath to discuss homelessness issues.

CITY MANGER'S REPORT

Mr. Meik thanked Analuz Mendoza for filling in as Interim City Clerk. He also shared that April 24 is Administrative Professionals Day and thanked staff for their hard work. Additionally, he reported that Mr. Dyer and Ms. Larson met with various HOAs for a gate exercise and would begin outreach for FIREWISE. Furthermore, he

reported that Mr. Dyer and Ms. Larson would be hosting a table top exercise with key staff. Lastly, he reported that he was happy to see residents enjoying the Calabasas Community Center.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Councilmember Bozajian requested that the City Attorney distribute a report produced by the League of California Cities regarding charter cities.

Mayor Weintraub requested a discussion on digital kiosks with security cameras at commercial centers to deter crime. Councilmember Shapiro seconded the request.

ADJOURN

The City Council adjourned at 9:02 p.m. to a regular meeting scheduled on Wednesday, May 8, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

Analuz Mendoza, Interim City Clerk